



King County
KING COUNTY ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE
ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 1, 2006

Members Present: Linda Brown, Dan Foley, Narayan Gangadhar, Roger Goodman, Jenna Henderson, Larry Hill, Yasmin Smith

Members Absent: Joan Clement, (excused), Michelle DiMiscio (excused), Tim King (excused), Patrick Godfrey (excused), Mary Alice Knotts (excused)

Guests Present: Neil Broudy (Fairfax Hospital); Pat Knox (RCKC); Ramona Graham (CHS); Anita Hidalgo (WAPIFASA); Bob Leonard (Region 4 DASA); Ella McHenry (VCCC); Juliette Sauvage (KYFS)

Staff Present: Mike Elsner, Liz Gilbert, Rhoda Naguit, Jim Vollendroff

Board Chair Linda Brown convened the King County Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Administrative Board meeting at 12:06p.m. The meeting was held at Safeco Jackson Street Center, Multi-Purpose Room, located at 306 23rd Avenue South, Seattle.

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Board Chair Linda Brown welcomed everyone present and asked that they introduce themselves.

II. AGENCY CONCERNS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fairfax Hospital: Everyone is invited to an Open House at Fairfax Hospital on June 21, 2006 from 3:00pm to 6:00pm. To RSVP, call Diane at (425) 821-2000 between 7:00am-3:00pm.

Center for Human Services: Ramona Graham, Clinical Supervisor, and Paula Thomas, Youth Treatment Counselor, have been invited to attend the Motivational Enhancement Therapy/Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (MET/CBT) for Adolescent Cannabis Users: 5 Sessions on June 12-14, 2006 to be held in Grand Hyatt San Francisco, California. MET/CBT will be implemented as a Best Practice at all youth treatment sites. CHS is already using this at one of their sites. Participants are required to submit tapes of sessions after the conference. The other agencies that have been selected to attend this SAMHSA-sponsored conference are Seattle Mental Health and Central Youth and Family Services.

Valley Cities Counseling and Consultation: The agency is selling tickets for Feast for Families, a fundraising lunch for the Federal Way Youth and Family

Services division. The \$15 ticket will provide lunch buffet and beverages donated by Federal Way Outback Steakhouse. The event will take place on Saturday, June 24, 2006 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Federal Way Outback Steakhouse located at 2210 S 320th Street.

WAPIFASA: The agency is looking for a Chemical Dependency Professional or an experienced counselor who has a passion for working with youth.

III. DASA UPDATE

Bob Leonard reported the following personnel changes at the Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse office:

- Earl Long is currently serving as Interim Region 5 Administrator. Harvey Funai has been filling in this position for several months now.
- Terrie Orphey is taking over the CJTA position formerly occupied by Earl Long.
- Harvey Perez, DASA Chief Financial Officer, has been promoted as Division Manager for JRA.

The recently concluded "Saying It Out Loud" conference had an impressive attendance of 238, mostly first-timers.

IV. VETERANS/HUMAN SERVICES LEVY

Liz Gilbert handed out background information about the King County Veterans and Human Services Levy and the Stakeholder Input Guidelines and Questions.

Liz gave concise information about the levy. In November 2005, the King County voters approved the creation of a King County regional human services levy to generate approximately \$13.3 million per year for each of six years to implement human services for veterans, their families and other low-income residents in King County. On April 18, 2006, the Metropolitan King County Council approved an ordinance providing direction regarding the expenditures of this levy. This includes the creation of a Service Improvement Plan describing specific investments and strategies to address the goals of the levy at the system, service and client levels for veteran and non-veteran populations in need. The Service Improvement Plan will be implemented by 2007.

Liz explained the goals of the levy and how they will be addressed.

- Reduce homelessness and emergency medical costs through improved coordination, access to, and effectiveness of health, human services and housing programs for individuals and families in immediate need and by helping the community identify and expand the most effective means of promoting healthy development for children most at risk for dependency and criminal justice system involvement.

- Reduce criminal justice system involvement by providing a measure of safety, dignity and opportunity to those in need, reducing the unsustainable growth of public safety, criminal justice and emergency cost affecting county, city, and state budgets.
- Increase self-sufficiency by promoting employment by adding housing and employment components in housing and/or increasing capacity in the programs, and adding employment-related goals and services to existing programs.

As part of the process of creating the Service Improvement Plan, a team of external consultants and County staff are gathering information related to the goals stated above from a broad range of community stakeholders throughout King County. Due to a very tightly scheduled timeline to submit a draft plan to the Executive before it goes to the County Council, Liz asked the Board and agency providers present to answer the following four questions that related to the goals stated in the implementation ordinance.

1. What strategies do you recommend to reduce homelessness and emergency medical costs for both veteran and non-veteran populations?
2. What strategies do you recommend to reduce criminal justice system involvement for both veteran and non-veteran populations?
3. What strategies do you recommend for increasing self-sufficiency by means of employment for both veteran and non-veteran populations?
4. What strategies do you recommend to enhance or expand childhood intervention for those most at risk for criminal behavior and/or dependency problems?

A spirited discussion and active participation followed. Liz will consolidate input gathered from today's meeting and will summarize the group's input on paper.

If anyone would like to submit additional feedback after the meeting, go to www.metrokc.gov/dchs/levy.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of Officers

The Nominations Committee requested another month to submit their nominations for Board Chair and Vice Chair.

B. Veterans and Human Services Levy Oversight Committee

If any Board member is interested in the possibility of serving on the Human Services Levy Oversight Committee, contact the County Council member from your district immediately and ask for an application. Appointments for this committee must be made by August 2006. Due to short timeframe for this process, interested Board members need to act now.

VI. OLD BUSINESS/CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Exemplary Awards

A solicitation of nominations for the Exemplary Service Awards was sent to Board members in mid-May 2006. Board Chair Linda Brown asked the Board if there are individuals or agencies that they would like to submit an application for this year's Exemplary Awards. None were identified during the meeting. Nomination(s) should be sent to Mental Health, Chemical Abuse and Dependency Services Division as soon as possible.

B. Recovery Garden Update

The project is moving along well. Efforts to sell additional cobblestones continue. Dedication is projected for late September or early October.

C. Recognition for CD Youth Providers

At the May 16, 2006 Board Planning Retreat, the Board directed Linda to write a letter of appreciation to youth provider agencies recognizing the outstanding work of their clinicians in engaging and retaining youth in chemical dependency treatment. As a tangible token of appreciation, the Board also approved to purchase of an engraved cobblestone in the Recovery Garden dedicated to King County CD Youth Providers.

D. Board Membership Update

Jenna Henderson has been accepted at Gonzaga University Law School in Spokane for the fall semester. As a result, Jenna has tendered her resignation from the Board effective August 1, 2006. The Board recognized Jenna's contributions to the Board. She will be greatly missed.

Roger Goodman is a candidate for the open seat in the 45th District of the Washington State House of Representatives this coming November.

VII. LIAISON REPORT

A. Legislative Advocacy and Public Affairs Committee

Roger Goodman reported that he will not serve as moderator for the Legislative Forum on December 7th at St. Mark's Cathedral in Seattle due to his decision to run for the 45th district of the State Legislature. He hopes to be a panel member rather than the moderator. The committee is now considering several potential moderators for the forum.

VIII. ALCOHOL AND DRUG COORDINATOR REPORT

A. ADATSA Funding

Jim Vollendroff and members of the King County Bar Association (KCBA) met with DSHS Secretary Robin Arnold-Williams to discuss the need for additional ADATSA funding to cover cost for services provided to low-income clients.

The King County Bar Association is requesting an increase in ADATSA funding for low income at this next legislative session.

B. RFP Process Update

Youth RFP will be released in early August. RFP timeline information will be provided later this week.

Adult RFP will be conducted next year. The RFP process will be done on a four year cycle.

Board member will be asked to be part of the RFP Review Panels.

C. Treatment Expansion Funding

There are changes in youth funding under treatment expansion program. Some Treatment Expansion funding has been shifted from the Medicaid match pool and moved to funding for services to low-income youth.

D. SAMHSA-Sponsored Disaster Meeting

Jim Vollendroff attended the Disaster Training in New Orleans on May 22-24, 2006. The goal was to develop plans that assist clients with drugs, alcohol and mental problems during disaster.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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Board Chair